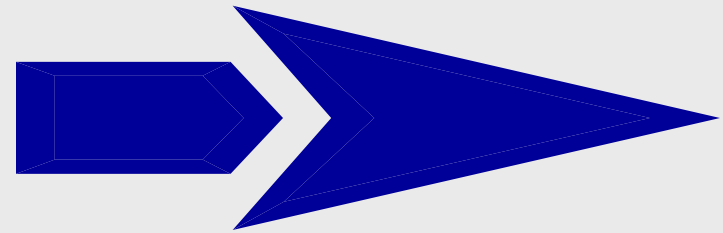


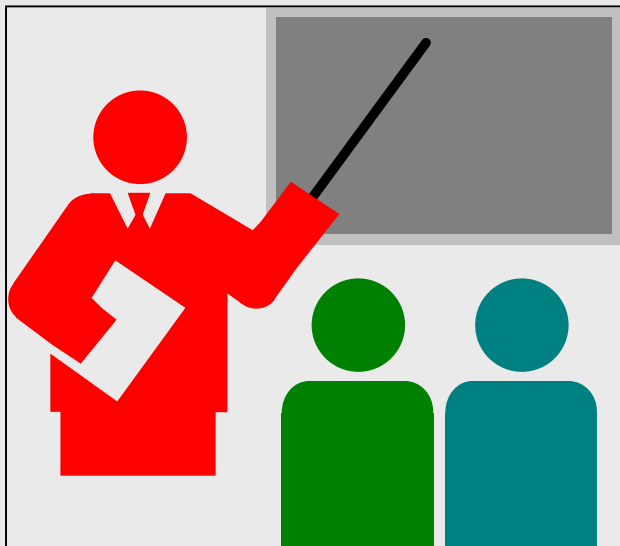
HIPAA Readiness



Moving Forward Together!!!

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Agenda Topics



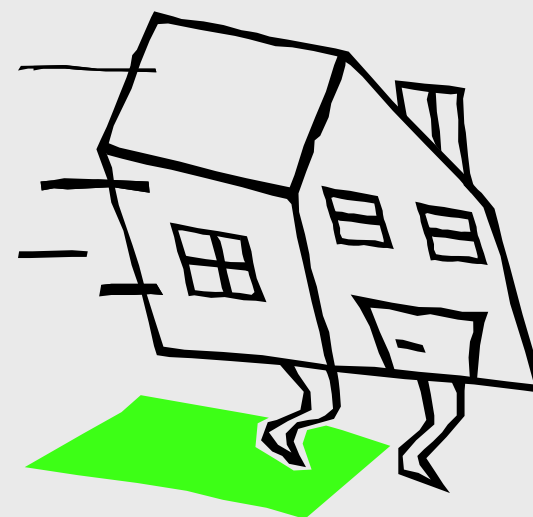
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- ✓ Companion Documents
- ✓ Key Messages
- ✓ Readiness Steps
- ✓ Key Contacts

Transaction Definition

837	Claims, Encounters & COB
835	Payment & Remittance Advice
270/271	Benefit Eligibility Inquiry & Response
276/277	Claim Status Inquiry & Response
834	Benefit Enrollment & Maintenance
820	Plan Premium Payments
278	Referral & Pre-Certification
Unsolicited 277	Front-end rejections

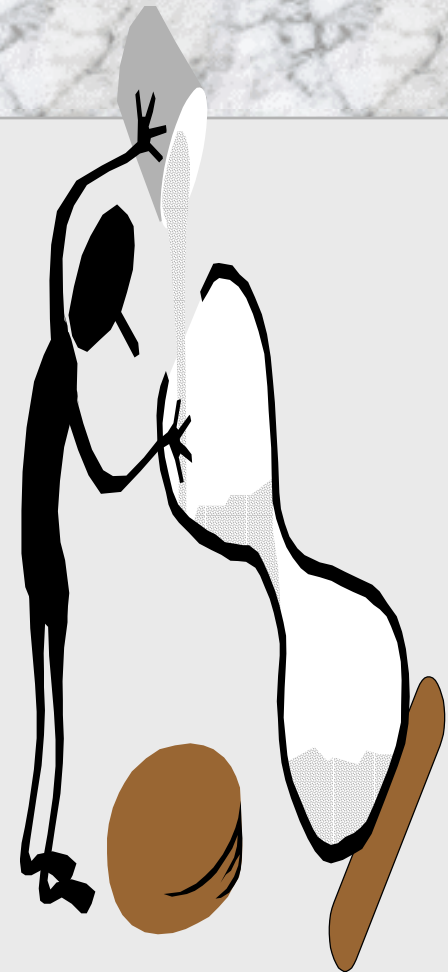
BCBSM EDI Clearinghouse

- Continue to accept/route payer claims & remittance transactions
 - υ BCBSM/BCN/FEP
 - υ Commercial (primary only)
 - υ Medicaid
 - υ Medicare
- Providers can utilize clearinghouse services to become HIPAA compliant for transaction formats



Filing for an Extension

- Who Can File? Covered Entities can file which include:
 - υ Health Care Providers
 - υ Payers
 - υ Clearinghouses
- Why File?
 - υ Contingency Safeguard
 - υ More Time To Test & Deploy
- When to File? Extension must be filed on or before October 15, 2002



Filing for an Extension (Continued)

- Strongly encourage all covered entities to file
Mandated deadline to file - no exceptions
- Where to File? Covered Entities can file extension at:
www.cms.hhs.gov/hipaa
- Electronic form now available - it's easy to complete
- BCBSM will file. However, providers still need to file on their own behalf
- Covered entities must submit their extension (compliance plan) by October 15, 2002

BCBSM Implementation Schedule

<u>HIPAA Transaction Data Sets</u>		<u>*Est. Test Dates</u>	<u>Est. Implementation Dates</u>
837	Claims	June 2002	4th Quarter 2002
835	Remittance	3rd Quarter 2002	4th Quarter 2002
270/271	Eligibility Inquiry	August 2002	4th Quarter 2002
276/277	Claims Status	September 2002	4th Quarter 2002
834	Enrollment	October 2002	4th Quarter 2002
820	Premium Payment	4th Quarter 2002	4th Quarter 2002
278	Referral	1st Quarter 2003	1st Quarter 2003

***Note: Testing transaction responses will be limited to selected pilot sites**

HIPAA Format Options

Inbound

Professional Formats

- ASC ANSI X12 837 4010
(Recommended format)
- NSF-H *
- Modified 837

Facility Formats

- ASC ANSI X12 837 4010
(Recommended format)
- UB92-H *

Outbound

Professional Formats

- ASC ANSI X12 835 4010
- NSF
- UBPC
(during transition period)

Facility Formats

- ASC ANSI X12 835 4010
- Expanded Remittance
Voucher

*** These formats have minor limitations
listed on the BCBSM web-site**

Formats Retiring March 28, 2003

Professional Formats

- UBPC Inbound (Uniform Bill Professional Claim)
- Modified NSF All Lines of Business
 - υ Replaced with NSF-H

Facility Formats

- UB92 v.4.0, v.4.1, v.5.0 & v.6.0
 - υ Replaced with UB92-H

Transaction Testing

- Pilot testing has begun with selected sites
- BCBSM will make available a self-service web-based testing tool by June 2002 for the ANSI transactions (*sponsored in part by MDCH*)
- Testing will commence June 2002 for the 837. Other transaction sets to follow 3rd & 4th Qtr 2002
- Testing procedures and specifics will be forthcoming in future EDI publications

Trading Partner Agreement (TPA)



- Required for all providers submitting electronically
- Electronic transactions will be accepted once a new signed TPA is on file
- TPA distribution and collection process will be communicated in future EDI publications

*** **VENDORS** - Complete the technical assessment form. This form is an appendix to the TPA that will allow you to choose your preferred formats

Companion Documents

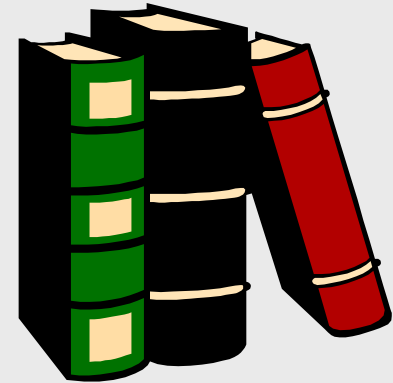
Provide payer specific reporting requirements.

υ Available in June 2002 (www.bcbsm.com)

- Professional (includes Vision & Hearing)
- Facility
- Dental

Each Companion Document includes:

- υ BCBSM/BCN/FEP
- υ Commercial
- υ Medicaid
- υ Medicare



Other Key Documents

- UB92-H / NSF-H Specifications
(www.BCBSM.com)
- UB92-H / NSF-H Limitations Listing
(www.BCBSM.com)
- HIPAA Implementation Guides
(www.wpc-edl.com)

Key Messages



- Encourage transition to (HIPAA approved) 837 4010
- UBPC Inbound will retire 3/28/2003
- UB92 versions 4, 4.1, 5, & 6 will retire 3/28/2003
- Allow ample time for testing
- Take advantage of self-testing tool
- File for an extension (compliance plan)
- Paper claim filing is discouraged
- BCBSM EDI Clearinghouse services are available to assist in your HIPAA transition

Readiness Steps

Providers

- Medical Code Set Implementation
- File for an extension
- Sign TPA
- Work with your vendor to reach compliance & select remittance format
- If 835 is selected, choose a single location for receiving the remittance
- Test and test again
- Check with your vendor to insure deployment plan within deadlines
- Monitor your front-end reject edits

Vendors

- Select a format
- Complete technical assessment sheet
- If UB92H/NSFH selected, pull specs from BCBSM website
- Pull ANSI companion documents from the BCBSM website
- Schedule testing with BCBSM
- Make sure breadth and depth of claim types are tested relevant to your customers
- Stage your testing early

BCBSM Key Contacts

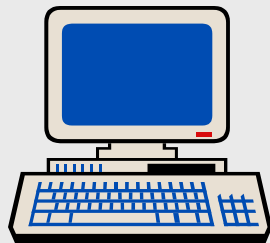


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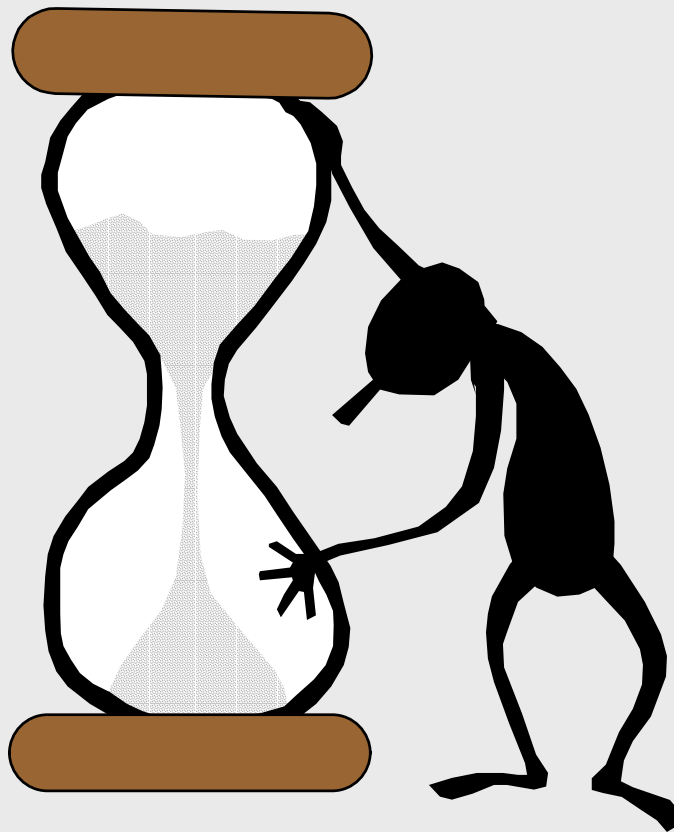
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Time is of the Essence



HIPAA will not wait!